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Sir

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As the Seſsion of parliament is now Opend, I have for some time past been in pain about the General Courts Petition; least it should not arrive before the American affairs came to be mentiond in the house. But this day I have receivd it, and shall deliver it at the proper time. I have feed Council upon the right given in your Charter to tax your selves; but Mr Jackson is of opinion that the house will not allow of them. It gives me great Satiſfaction to see that the General Court have drawn their petition in so temperate and unexceptionable a manner. By printing their Letter, they have said all which they can desire to have said upon the Subject, and more than any Agent here could have said. and the coming immediatly from them gives it the greater weight. I heartily wish it may have the Effect they designd, and tend to convince, and not exasperate. The Lords of Trade have laid a Copy of that Letter, and of the New york Petition, before the King in Council; and you will see that the Kings Speech recommends the promoting that respect to the Legislative authority of this Kingdom, which is Eſsentially neceſsary for the safety of the whole. I do not think it neceſsary that the province should set it self more forward than the rest, or distinguish it self more than it has already done: but I shall readily go as far as any Others. and as I am directed to take the advice of Mr Jackson, I shall certainly act in Concert with

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with him. I am with the highest respect to the great
and General Court.

Sir

Your most obedient
humble Servant
Jasp^r Mauduit

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